

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1294

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Richard V. Norment on his receipt of the David M. Walker Excellence in Government Performance and Accountability Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Richard V. Norment, Assistant to Comptroller of the Treasury Justin P. Wilson, is one such estimable public servant who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Norment has recently been honored with the David M. Walker Excellence in Government Performance and Accountability Award; and

WHEREAS, every two years, the National Intergovernmental Audit Forum (NIAF) seeks nominations for people who work in government accountability offices at the local, state, and federal levels; the NIAF then selects one winner for each level of government; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Norment was selected as this year's recipient from state government based on his demonstrated leadership in improving government performance and accountability and his contributions to the NIAF; he received the award at the NIAF's biennial meeting in San Antonio, Texas, on May 19, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Norment serves astutely in a key management position for the Comptroller, as his division is responsible for auditing all ninety-five of Tennessee's counties; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Norment was also appointed in December of 2005 to serve as the strategic planning coordinator for the Comptroller's office, in which role he has turned in his usual outstanding performance; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Norment has spent his entire professional career with the Comptroller's office, joining the Division of County Audit as a financial and compliance auditor soon after graduating from college; he held various supervisory positions within the Division before being promoted to his current position; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, he received the Excellence in Government Leadership Award from the Association of Government Accountants earlier this year; and

WHEREAS, Comptroller Justin P. Wilson has praised Mr. Norment by saying: "I am pleased with the great work Richard has done for us. His peers think very highly of him — and with good reason"; and

WHEREAS, Richard Norment's remarkable success as a public servant is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Richard Norment is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized upon his receipt of this prestigious honor; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Richard V. Norment on his receipt of the David M. Walker Excellence in Government Performance and Accountability Award, commend him for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Tennessee throughout his exemplary career with the Comptroller of the Treasury, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.